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State Ferry *Columbia* Electrical Repairs Completed

The M/V *Columbia*, flagship of the Alaska Marine Highway System, experienced a minor electrical irregularity northbound Saturday evening, August 31. The Marine Highway brought aboard an electrical team in Juneau to check out the electrical system. In an effort to keep the *Columbia's* traffic on schedule to Haines and Skagway Labor Day morning, 251 passengers and 80 vehicles were transferred to the M/V *Malaspina* at Auke Bay to continue their voyage. The ship's crew, with the assistance of Electric Power Systems of Juneau, corrected the electrical irregularities and the vessel will resume her regularly published southbound schedule out of Skagway on Monday evening, September 2.

For detailed schedule information, periodic specials and latest news items, passengers are encouraged to visit the AMHS Web site at www.alaska.gov/ferry, contact their local terminal or call toll free 800-642-0066 or 907-465-3941.

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